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In re the Application of:

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THE SAME

Atty. Docket No.: 020581

Customer No.: 38834

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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August 5, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2004, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows, and that the rejection of record be reconsidered in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

present claim 52. Therefore, for this reason alone, claim 52 is not obvious over any combination of Miyatake and Aminaka.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the rejection should be withdrawn.

In conclusion, the invention as presently claimed is patentable. It is believed that the claims are in allowable condition and a notice to that effect is earnestly requested.

In the event there is, in the Examiner's opinion, any outstanding issue and such issue may be resolved by means of a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of the response period. Please charge the fee for such extension and any other fees which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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